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OUR COVER

Our picture on the cover, was taken by our former School Superintendent Mr. Paire, on Memorial Day 1957 at the dedication.

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Toivo Kivimaki	November 1960
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CLERK and TREASURER

Charles F. H. Crathern	March 1959
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SELECTMEN

Tracy A. Eaton	March 1959
Raymond C. Akerman	March 1960
Paul G. Robbins	March 1961

TAX COLLECTOR

Herman O. Schulze	March 1959
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HIGHWAY AGENT

Harold C. Miller	March 1959
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AUDITORS

Toivo Kivimaki	March 1959
Leland Wildes	March 1959

REPRESENTATIVE TO COUNTY CONVENTION

Tracy A. Eaton	November 1960
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SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Harold C. Miller	November 1960
Guy F. Washburn	November 1960
Vivian Ilomaki	November 1960

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Elsie Resor	March 1959
Esther Spaulding	March 1960
Elizabeth O. Jones	March 1961

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Charles F. H. Crathern	March 1959
Tracy A. Eaton	March 1960
Conray G. Wharff	March 1961

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES

Conray G. Wharff	March 1959
Frank Newell	March 1960
Alfred Spear	March 1961

POLICE OFFICERS

Albert L. Dunham, Jr., Chief	Appointed
Fred Gilson, Special	Appointed
Leo Leino, Special	Appointed
Irving Spear, Special	Appointed

DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Charles F. H. Crathern	Appointed
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FIRE CHIEF

Fred Gilson	Appointed
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FOREST FIRE WARDENS

James Bell, Chief	
Carl Valyou	G. Porter Washburn
Curtis Dunn	Harold C. Miller

HEALTH OFFICER

Dr. Robert Wellwood Appointed

LIBRARIAN

Elsie Resor Appointed

TOWN HALL JANITOR

Guy F. Washburn Appointed

SEXTON

Frank Newell Appointed

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Gladys L. Ashead

Curtis Dunn Anna Kivimaki

W. Judson Dondale Leland Wildes

PLANNING BOARD

Charles Babb

Adolph Rajala Aaron Brandt

Talbot R. Hood Tracy A. Eaton

TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Mason in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Mason Town Hall in said Mason on Tuesday, the 10th day of March next

at one of the clock in the afternoon, then and there to bring in your ballots for the following Town Officers:

Town Clerk for one year: Selectman for three years:
Selectman for one year: Town Treasurer for one year:
Tax Collector for one year: Highway Agent for one year:

The polls to close at 7:30 P. M. of the same day.

And at eight of the clock in the afternoon of the same day, and at the same place, to act on the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers, not chosen by the non-partisan ballot, for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same, according to, or any change thereto as may be made to the report of the Financial Board.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote a discount on taxes paid on or before a certain date, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell any real estate or growth thereon, now owned by the town, if they with a majority of the Financial Board think it advisable, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made of all town records, by the Municipal accounting division, and make an appropriation for the same.

Article 7. To see if the town will allow the Tax Collector compensation for collecting the State Head Tax, and fix the amount at 8%, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 8. By request: To see if the town will vote an appropriation for the time of two additional assessors to be appointed by the Financial Advisory Committee and Planning Board, to work with the three selectmen on property assessment.

Article 9. By request: To see if the town will vote an appropriation for time spent with the two extra assessors over and above the selectmen's present duties, in working on a thorough and equitable valuation of property.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) to be expended in cooperation with the New Hampshire Forestry and Recreation Commission for the opening and maintaining of trails and old roads for forest fire protection. The New Hampshire Forestry and Recreation Commission to provide a matching sum not in excess of \$25.00 for this purpose.

Article 11. By request: To hear a report from the Town Fire Chief regarding the condition of the Town Hall with respect to fire hazard, to hear the recommendations of the Selectmen for necessary correction of such fire safety violations as may exist, to hear a report from the Selectmen as to estimated cost of such corrections or any other recommended action to provide adequate Town

Hall facilities, to raise and appropriate the necessary money, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen as to the use of T. R. A. funds, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 13. By request: To see if the town will vote to authorize the State to make a complete assessment of all properties in the Town, and make an appropriation to cover the expense so incurred, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 14. By request: To see if the town will appoint a committee to name the roads in the town.

Article 15. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees and Officers heretofore chosen and take any action relating thereto.

Given under our hands and seal, this . . . day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-eight.

TRACY A. EATON

PAUL G. ROBBINS

Selectmen of Mason

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

TRACY A. EATON

PAUL G. ROBBINS

Selectmen of Mason

REPORT OF FINANCIAL BOARD

The Financial Board recommends the following budget:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,250.00
Town Officers' Expenses	800.00
Election and Registration	100.00
Town Hall and Other Buildings	500.00
Police Department	225.00
Fire Department	250.00
Dutch Elm	100.00
Insurance	400.00
Health	50.00
Town Dump	200.00
State Aid Construction	693.06
Summer Roads	4,000.00
Winter Roads	3,000.00
Street Lighting	225.00
General Expenses Highway Department	1,000.00
Library	500.00
Old Age Assistance	400.00
Public Relief	200.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00
Cemeteries	250.00
Regional	52.00
Social Security	50.00
Interest	100.00
County Tax	2,720.18
School Tax	30,454.34
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	\$47,719.58

TOWN BUDGET

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR JANUARY 1, 1959 TO DECEMBER 31, 1959, COMPARED WITH ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE, APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR JANUARY 1, 1958 TO DECEMBER 31, 1958.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1958	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1958	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1959
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 1,509.48	\$ 1,511.84	\$ 1,500.00
Railroad Tax	157.31	157.31	100.00
Savings Bank Tax	75.00	89.90	90.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	40.00	44.96	45.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	2,803.27	2,213.35	1,800.00
For Fighting Forest Fires		11.22	
T. R. A. Payment on Note		405.39	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	125.00	143.50	140.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees		11.00	11.00
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	50.00	21.00	60.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	100.00	136.35	100.00
Highway, including rental of equipment—Tar		393.00	
Bulldozer		444.00	
Insurance Refund		47.34	
V. F. W. Part Payment on Monument		207.32	
John W. Jones Estate, Cemetery Fund		300.00	

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,800.00	2,033.64	1,800.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	330.00	306.00	300.00
Yield Taxes		549.36	200.00

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year 1958	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1958	Estimates Expenditures Ensuing Year 1959
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CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:

General Government:

Town Officers Salaries	1,250.00	1,229.76	1,250.00
Town Officers' Expenses	800.00	693.53	800.00
Election and Registration Expenses	250.00	232.06	100.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	500.00	474.51	500.00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	225.00	203.03	225.00
Fire Department	250.00	120.39	250.00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust & Care of Trees	100.00	80.00	100.00
Insurance	400.00	380.18	400.00
Damage by Dogs		800.00	

Health:

Health Department, including Hospitals	50.00	50.00	50.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	200.00	150.00	200.00

Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance—Summer	4,000.00	6,394.42	4,000.00
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Town Maintenance—Winter	2,000.00	3,181.48	3,000.00
Street Lighting	225.00	223.20	225.00
General Expenses of High-			
way Department	1,200.00	1,199.24	1,000.00
Town Road Aid	713.45	713.45	693.06
Libraries	600.00	600.00	500.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	200.00	139.77	200.00
Old Age Assistance	200.00	369.89	400.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans'			
Associations	100.00	99.50	100.00
Recreation:			
Parks and Playground, Incl.			
Band Concerts	100.00	100.85	100.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	250.00	250.00	250.00
Unclassified:			
Advertising and Regional			
Associations	49.00	49.00	52.00
Employees' Retirement and			
Social Security	100.00	14.60	50.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	200.00	59.77	100.00
On Long Term Notes			
and Bonds		29.10	
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Long Term Notes, T. R. A. Note		1,293.51	
County Taxes	2,710.18	2,710.18	2,710.18
School Taxes	27,734.04	10,204.46	30,454.34

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land and Buildings	\$515,628.00
Electric Plants	34,300.00
Mature Wood and Timber	180.00
Stock in Trade	560.00
Horses (3)	130.00
Cows (20)	1,150.00
Sheep (58)	600.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	750.00
Portable Mills	800.00
Fur-bearing Animals and Rabbits	50.00
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	\$554,148.00
Veterans Exemptions	33,000.00
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Net Valuation	\$521,148.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Town Officers Salaries	\$ 1,250.00
Town Officers Expense	800.00
Election and Registration	250.00
Town Hall and other Buildings	500.00
Police Department	225.00
Fire Department	250.00
Blister Rust	100.00
Insurance	400.00
Health	50.00
Dump	200.00
Town Road Aid	713.45
Summer Roads	4,000.00
Winter Roads	2,000.00

Street Lighting	225.00
General Expenses Highway Depar	1,200.00
Libraries	600.00
Old Age Assistance	200.00
Public Relief	200.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00
Cemeteries	250.00
Regional Associations	49.00
Social Security	100.00
County Tax	2,710.18
School Tax	27,734.06
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	\$ 44,406.69

Estimated Revenue and Credits

Interest on Taxes	\$ 100.00
Interest and Dividends Tax	1,509.48
Railroad Tax	157.31
Savings Bank Tax	75.00
Reimbursement a/c	
State and Federal Lands	40.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption	
Growing Wood and Timber	2,803.27
Dog Licenses	125.00
Rent of Property	50.00
Motor Vehicle	1,800.00
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	\$ 6,660.06
Balance	\$ 37,746.63
Plus Overlay	418.72
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	\$ 38,165.35
Less: 165 Polls @ \$2.00	330.00
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Amount to be raised by Property Tax	\$ 37,835.35
Valuation \$521,148.00 x .0726	\$ 37,835.35

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Title of Appropriation	\$	Appropriation	Expenditure	Unexpended	Overdraft
Town Officers Salaries	\$	1,250.00	\$ 1,229.76	\$ 20.24	\$
Town Officers Expenses		800.00	693.53	106.47	
Election & Registration		250.00	232.06	17.94	
Town Hall & Other Buildings		500.00	474.51	25.49	
Police Department		225.00	203.03	21.97	
Fire Department	250.00		120.39		
State Refund	11.22	261.22		140.83	
Dutch Elm		100.00	80.00	20.00	
Insurance	400.00				
Refund	47.34	447.34	380.18	67.16	
Health		50.00	50.00		
Town Dump		200.00	150.00	50.00	
Head Tax			895.00		
Fees			250.60		
Summer Roads	4,000.00				
Refund	393.00				
State Aid	1,924.47	6,317.47	6,394.42		76.95
Winter Roads		2,000.00	3,181.48		1,181.48
Street Lighting		225.00	223.20	1.80	
Expenses Highway Dep't.		1,200.00	1,199.24	.76	
Library		600.00	600.00		
Old Age Assistance		200.00	369.89		169.89
Town Poor		200.00	139.77	60.23	
Memorial Day		100.00	99.50	.50	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT Con't.

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	Expenditure	Unexpended	Overdraft
Parks & Playgrounds	100.00	100.85		.85
Cemeteries	250.00			
J. W. Jones Estate	300.00	550.00		
Regional	49.00	49.00		
Taxes bought by Town		234.50		
Tax Refund		290.40		
Dog Damage		800.00		
Social Security	100.00	14.60	85.40	
County Tax	2,710.18	2,710.18		
Interest	200.00	88.87	111.13	
Notes		9,283.51		
Schools	39,636.45	22,106.87	17,529.58	
Bulldozer Account		129.60		
	\$	\$ 53,334.94	\$ 18,245.95	\$ 1,429.17

ASSETS

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1959	\$ 12,391.32
Soldiers' Monument	271.69
Bulldozer Acc't (F. Gilson \$40.00)	
(I. Spear \$21.00)	61.00
Unredeemed Taxes 1957	234.50
Unredeemed Taxes 1956	169.01
Uncollected Taxes	7,521.15
Uncollected Head Taxes	180.00
Rent of Hall	50.00
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	\$ 20,878.67

LIABILITIES

Latila's Garage	520.84
Uncollected Head Taxes	180.00
Yield Tax due the State	91.56
Due School District	17,529.58
Soldiers' Monument unexpended bal.	271.69
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	18,593.67
Excess of Assets	2,285.00
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	\$ 20,878.67

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall:

Land and other Buildings	\$ 8,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00

Library	
Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Police Department	
Equipment	50.00
Fire Department:	
Equipment	200.00
Highway Department:	
Sander	250.00
Bulldozer	3,000.00
Roller	150.00
4 Snow Plows	400.00
Road Machine	50.00
Parks and Playgrounds	500.00
Schools:	
Land and Buildings	8,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00
All other Town owned Lands:	
Obtained by Bequest:	
22 a. Lucy Lawrence lot	
Obtained by Gift:	
1 a. Veterans Foreign Wars	
Obtained by Tax Sale:	
8 a. Hall Land	
20 a. Walter Robbins lot	
12 a. Henry Barrett lot	
5 a. Shattuck lot	
15 a. Pt. Farwell Farm	
180 a. Sam Barrett lot	
50 a. Sam Barrett lot	
51 a. Craig lot	

15 a. Russell lot
 30 a. Perley Pierce lot
 17 a. Coburn lot
 54 a. Walter Fessenden lot
 11 a. Hall lot
 20 a. Jeffs lot
 100 a. undivided $\frac{1}{2}$ Baldwin lot
 30 a. Foster lot
 20 a. Edwin Farnsworth lot
 25 a. Sawtell lot
 20 a. Esposito lot

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Filing Fees	11.00
Automobile Permits—1957	19.81
Automobile Permits—1958	2,013.83
Dog Licenses:	
50 Male @ 2.00	100.00
8 Female @ 5.00	40.00
7 Penalties @ .50	3.50
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Total Receipts	\$ 2,188.14

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Property Poll and Yield Taxes

Levy 1958

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Tax Collector:

Property Taxes	\$37,835.32
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Poll Taxes	330.00
Yield Taxes	569.28
Property	39.21
Interest Collected	1.18

\$ 38,774.99

Fee .50

\$ 38,775.49

Cr.

Remittance to Treasurer

Property Taxes	\$ 30,067.90
Poll Taxes	268.00
Yield Taxes	529.20
Interest Collected	1.18
Discount Allowed	377.56
Abatements	10.00

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list

Property Taxes	\$ 7,429.07
Poll Taxes	52.00
Yield Taxes	40.08

Total Credits \$ 38,774.99

Registry Fee .50

\$ 38,775.49

STATE HEAD TAX

Levy of 1958

Dr.

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector

Original Warrant	1,020.00
Penalties Collected	2.00

Total Debits \$ 1,022.00

Cr.

Remittance to Treasurer

Head Taxes	815.00
Penalties	2.00
Abatements	25.00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's list	180.00

Total Credits \$ 1,022.00

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES

Levy of 1958

Residents

C. W. Anderson	\$ 145.20
C. W. & Madeline Anderson	309.57
Fred L. Brown Heirs	275.88
Thomas B. Calkins	159.72
George & Evelyn Cook	217.80
Edwin & Nellie Doucette	58.08
Fred & Mary Gilson	163.35
John & Marion Gilson	*296.21
James R. Graham	80.68
Ralph G. Haley	145.20
Eino Helstine	159.72
Marion B. Hitchcock	*290.40
Oliver and Vivian Ilomaki	504.57
Armand & Geneveive Leger	*232.32
George O. Lord	130.68
Oiva & Helvi Murto, Jr.	442.86
Oiva W. Murto, Sr.	43.56
Frank M. Newell	*101.64
John & Annie Paron	203.28
Francis & Gladys Racine	116.16
Clinton W. Rhodes	203.28
Fern Rines	72.60

James A. Rowse	*638.88
Barbara Sheffer	*232.32
Ernest & Lillian Smith	148.48
Irving & Marion Spear	* 47.56
Catherine Stuart	72.60
Robert & Alice Trempe	188.76
Porter G. Washburn	*139.83
Warren & Fay Ropes	203.28
Harry Williams	217.80
Arthur Williams Heirs	7.26
Rhea J. Williams	248.00
Donald M. Witty	214.90

Total

\$ 6,712.43

Non-Residents

Ernest O. Blood	* 14.52
Frances Boucher	3.19
Stephen Coffey	9.87
Arthur B. Davis Heirs	72.60
Fred Dudley Heirs	17.42
Thomas & Bertha Fitzgerald	* 72.60
Marjorie Godfrey	*145.20
Josephine Hayward	5.81
Ralph Hayward	6.39
Prescott Henriques	3.95
Kenneth Langdell	43.12
Rose Manning	87.12
Mason Village Savings Bank	* 29.04
Donald Porter	* 3.48
Fred Ramsey	19.16
Mary Roddy Heirs	14.52
Arthur J. Smith	34.85
Oscar Somero	* 1.74
John Swen Heirs	* 58.95
Robert F. Turner	2.61

Isadore Valenti	58.08	
Albert Whitaker	*1.45	
Frederick Johanson Heirs	* 11.14	
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Total		\$ 716.64
* Paid Since Jan. 1st, 1959		

UNCOLLECTED YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1958

Oxford Paper Co., Inc.	9.00	
Alfred Spear	14.28	
Irving Spear	16.80	
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Total		\$ 40.08

UNCOLLECTED HEAD & POLL TAXES

Levy of 1958

Loren Brown	5.00	2.00
Alfred Brunell	5.00	2.00
Marie Brunnell	5.00	2.00
Joan Calkins	5.00	
Edwin Doucette	5.00	2.00
Nellie Doucette	5.00	2.00
Irving Flagg	* 5.00	
Fred S. Gilson	5.00	
Mary C. Gilson	5.00	2.00
Marion Gilson	* 5.00	2.00
Alexander Godfrey	5.00	
Nowal Harding	5.00	2.00
Nita Harding	5.00	2.00
Eino Helstien	5.00	2.00
Irene Helstien	5.00	2.00
Oliver Ilomaki	* 5.00	
Vivian Ilomaki	* 5.00	2.00
George Lord	5.00	2.00

Hazel Lord	5.00	2.00
Roy V. Loter	5.00	2.00
Judith F. Loter	5.00	2.00
Francis J. Racine	5.00	
Gladys F. Racine	5.00	2.00
Clinton Rhodes	5.00	2.00
Mary A. Rhodes	5.00	2.00
Ferne Rines	5.00	2.00
James T. Sheffer	* 5.00	2.00
Barbara J. Sheffer	* 5.00	2.00
Catherine Stuart	5.00	
John E. Sturm	* 5.00	2.00
Jean M. Sturm	* 5.00	2.00
Robert Trempe	5.00	
Alice K. Trempe	5.00	
Cecile Trempe	5.00	
Donald Witty	5.00	2.00
Ila Witty	5.00	2.00
Head Tax Total		\$180.00
Total Poll		\$52.00

*Paid Since Jan. 1st, 1959.

Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1957

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1958

Property Taxes — \$ 5,606.22

Poll Taxes 38.00

Yield Taxes 20.16

Costs 37.65

\$ 5,702.03

Interest Collected During Fiscal Year

Ended December 31, 1958 135.17

Total Debits \$ 5,837.20

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Remittance to Treasurer During Fiscal
Year ended Dec. 31, 1958

Property Taxes	5,606.22
Poll Taxes	38.00
Interest Collected during year	135.17
Yield Taxes	20.16
Costs	37.65

Total Credits	\$ 5,837.20
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STATE HEAD TAX

Levy of 1957

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1958	\$135.00
Penalties Collected during 1958	14.00

Total Debits	\$149.00
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Cr.

Remittance to Treasurer during 1958

Head Taxes	135.00
Penalties	14.00

Total Credits	\$ 149.00
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REPORT OF TAX SALES REDEEMED

As of December 31, 1958

Remittance to Treasurer

	Levy	Tax	Int.	Fee	Total
Eino Helstien	1954	154.22	30.72	.25	185.19
Eino Helstien	1956	24.88	1.50	.25	26.63
Eino Helstien	1956	13.05	.78	.25	14.08
Harry & Ula Williams	1956	176.01	15.65	.25	191.91

UNREDEEMED TAXES

As of December 31, 1958

Eino Helstien	1956	160.16	5.20	3.65	169.01
Eino Helstien	1957	180.88	7.12	3.70	191.70
Eino Helstien	1957	25.84	1.02	1.25	28.11
Eino Helstien	1957	12.92	.52	1.25	14.69

HERMAN O. SCHULZE

Tax Collector

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1958	\$ 9,671.23
Received from Tax Collector	38,087.79
Received from Selectmen	15,779.10
Received from Town Clerk	2,188.14
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Total Cash received	65,726.26
Selectmen's orders paid	53,334.94
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Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1958	\$12,391.32

Actual Revenue Received

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1958	\$ 9,671.23
Tax Collector	38,087.79
Town Road Aid	405.39
Class V Highway maintenance	1,924.47
Interest Dividends tax	1,511.84
Savings Bank Tax	89.90
Railroad Tax	157.31
Reimbursement a/c State lands	44.96
Reimbursement a/c Exemption Growing Wood & Timber	2,218.35
Fire refund	11.22

Dog Licenses	143.50
Filing Fees	11.00
Rent Bulldozer	444.00
Rent Town Hall	24.00
J. W. Jones Estate Trust Fund	300.00
Highway Department Refund	393.00
Insurance Refund	47.34
Registration Motor Vehicles	2,033.64
Temporary Loans	8,000.00
V. F. W. Soldiers' Monument	207.32
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	\$ 65,726.26

Summary of Payments

Town Officers, Salaries	\$ 1,229.76
Town Officers, Expenses	693.53
Election & Registration	232.06
Town Hall & other Buildings	474.51
Police Department	203.03
Fire Department	120.39
Dutch Elm Disease	80.00
Insurance	380.18
Health	50.00
Town Dump	150.00
Head Tax	895.00
Fees	250.60
Summer Roads	6,394.42
Winter Roads	3,181.48
Street Lighting	223.20
General Expenses of Highway Dep't.	1,199.24
Library	600.00
Public Welfare, Old Age Assistance	369.89
Town Poor	139.77
Memorial Day	99.50
Parks & Playgrounds	100.85
Cemeteries	550.00

Regional	49.00
Taxes Bought by Town	234.50
Refunds	290.40
Dog Damage	800.00
Social Security	14.60
County Tax	2,710.18
Notes	9,293.51
Schools 1957-58	11,902.41
Schools 1958-59	10,204.46
Bulldozer Account	129.60
Interest	88.87
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	\$ 53,334.94

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

We are glad to report that the balance sheet shows a surplus, only a little less than last year. We had some unusual expenses this year and as the winter road money has not been enough in the past years we are recommending an increase, also we feel that we should replace a part of the snow fence each year. It is evident at this time we will need to increase the highway expense money as already we have spent over \$1,000.00 this year.

The Fire Marshal's recommendations for the Town Hall have been given our attention and will be completed very soon.

Town Officers' Salaries

Appropriation	\$ 1,250.00
Paid:	
C. F. H. Crathern, Town Clerk	100.00
C. F. H. Crathern, Town Treas.	100.00
Tracy A. Eaton, Selectman	316.10

Raymond C. Akerman, Selectman	241.33
Paul G. Robbins, Selectman	252.33
Herman O. Schulze, Tax Collector	200.00
Conway G. Wharff, Treasurer of Trustees	20.00

\$ 1,229.76

Unexpended Balance 20.24

\$ 1,250.00

Town Officers' Expenses

Appropriation \$ 800.00

Paid:

Ass'n of N. H. Assessors, Dues Tax	3.00
N. H. Collectors' Ass'n, Dues	3.00
C. R. Hardy, Treas., Town Clerk's Ass'n Dues	3.00
Mason Village Savings Bank, Safety Deposit Box	3.30
T. A. Eaton Agency, Bonds	134.31
Donat Corriveau, Recording	26.72
Herman O. Schulze, Tax Col- lector's Meeting	9.50
Herman O. Schulze, Postage	18.90
R. C. Akerman	2.50
Townsend Free Press, Town Reports, Statements	273.50
Edson Eastman Co., Dog Tags	14.23
State of N. H., Statutes	1.25
Paul G. Robbins, Mileage	16.00
Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	4.31
C. Edward Bourassa	.50
Sargent Bros., Tax bills	13.90
Tracy A. Eaton, Mileage	9.00
Tracy A. Eaton, Postage	9.26

Branham Publishing Co., Auto Book	16.00
Cabinet Press, Stationery	13.00
Charles F. H. Crathern, Mileage	60.00
Charles F. H. Crathern, Town Clerk's Meeting	30.00
Charles F. H. Crathern, Telephone & Postage	28.35

	\$ 693.53
Unexpended Balance	106.47

\$ 800.00

Election and Registration

Appropriation \$ 250.00

Paid:

Times-Free Press, Ballots	\$ 12.50
Vivian M. Ilomaki, Supervisor	35.30
Guy F. Washburn, Supervisor	63.50
Harold C. Miller, Supervisor	27.60
Helvi Murto, Ballot Clerk	18.97
Sophie Rajala, Ballot Clerk	18.98
Lillian Valyou, Ballot Clerk	8.63
Mildred Wharff, Ballot Clerk	18.41
Karen Clow, Ballot Clerk	9.77
Toivo Kivimaki, Moderator	18.40

	\$ 232.06
Unexpended Balance	17.94

\$ 250.00

Town Hall and Other Buildings

Appropriation \$ 500.00

Paid:

Greenville Electric Lighting	\$ 45.53
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R. C. Akerman, Labor & Wood	37.00	
Guy F. Washburn, Labor	271.58	
Sabourin Hardware Co., Paint & Glass	40.50	
New Ipswich Lumber Co.	3.95	
Winfred Savage, Signs	2.10	
Derby & Little	2.27	
Central Hardware Co.	2.98	
Rollstone Foundry, Inc., Stove Grates	21.60	
G. Porter Washburn, Labor	1.95	
Dean L. Bassett, Stove	20.00	
Thurston Williams, Wood	20.00	
Tracy A. Eaton, Lumber	5.00	
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	\$ 474.46	
Social Security, Withheld	.05	
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	\$ 474.51	
Unexpended Balance	25.49	
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	\$	500.00

Police Department

Appropriation	\$	225.00
Paid:		
A. L. Dunham, Jr.	\$	150.33
Fred Gilson		26.80
Bermer Electronic		6.70
Mack Men's Shop		19.20
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	\$	203.03
Unexpended Balance		21.97
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	\$	225.00

Fire Department

Appropriation		\$ 250.00
Paid:		
Greenville Fire Department	\$	23.60
Stevens Fire Department Co.		64.00
James Bell		15.24
Norman Hughes		3.60
Fred Gilson		4.75
Ernie Smith		1.15
Donald Witty		1.15
Frank Newell		1.15
John Hyatt		1.15
A. L. Dunham, Jr.		3.45
Alfred Spear		1.15
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State refund	\$	120.39
		11.22
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	\$	109.17
Unexpended Balance		140.83
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		\$ 250.00

Dutch Elm Disease

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Paid:		
F. A. Bartlett Tree Co.	\$	80.00
Unexpended Balance		20.00
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		\$ 100.00

Insurance

Appropriation		\$ 400.00
Tracy A. Eaton	\$	68.13

T. A. Eaton Agency	312.05	
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	\$ 380.18	
T. A. Eaton Agency refund	47.34	
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	\$ 332.84	
Unexpended balance	67.16	
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	\$	400.00

Health

Appropriation	\$	50.00
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Paid:

Dr. Robert Wellwood	\$	50.00
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Town Dump

Appropriation	\$	200.00
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Paid:

Town of Greenville	\$	150.00
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Unexpended balance	50.00	
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Head Tax

Received from Tax Collector

Paid:

State of New Hampshire	\$	895.00
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Fees

Paid:

Herman O. Schulze, Head Tax	\$	75.60
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Herman O. Schulze, Tax Sale	22.50	
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Donat Corriveau	.50	
C. F. H. Crathern		
Auto, 137; Dog, 15	152.00	
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	\$	250.60

Summer Roads

Appropriation	\$	4,000.00
State of New Hampshire (Duncan Money)		1,924.47
Mildred Wharff (Refund Tar)		39.30
Mary Oulton (Tar Refund)		353.70
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	\$	6,317.47

Paid:

Harold C. Miller, Truck	\$	2,536.40
G. Porter Washburn, Labor		587.94
Oliver Ilomaki, Labor		9.20
Alfred Spear, Labor		348.45
Toivo Kivimaki, Labor		6.00
R. L. Robichaud, Gravel		492.40
Wilfred Hamel, Moving Bulldozer		102.00
Edward Elliott, Shovel		405.00
Clyde S. Eaton, Truck		211.50
Carl Bullard, Truck		140.00
R. C. Hazelton Co., Pipe		168.00
D. J. Keating Co., Tar		75.08
N. E. Asphalt & Tar Co., Tar		1,126.15
Eino Helstein, Mowing		136.00
John Hyatt, Labor		36.80
Social Security Withheld		13.50

\$ 6,317.47

Overdraft 76.95

\$ 6,317.47

Winter Roads

Appropriation	\$ 2,000.00
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Paid:

Harold C. Miller, Truck	\$ 883.48
Winston Hall, Truck	774.00
Clyde S. Eaton, Truck	614.50
Oliver Ilomaki Truck	227.50
Aaron Brandt, Truck	45.50
R. L. Robichaud, Sand	26.00
Alfred Spear, Labor	250.70
Irving Spear, Labor	31.05
Arthur Rafter, Labor	19.55
Loren Brown, Labor	6.90
Carl Valyou, Labor	67.85
Carl Moore, Labor	60.95
John Hyatt, Labor	4.60
Donald Witty, Labor	27.60
R. C. Akerman, Labor	11.50
Fred Gilson, Labor	4.60
Edgar Beaulieu, Labor	9.20
C. F. H. Crathern, Labor	20.70
Charlie Tarbell, Labor	52.90
Frank Newell, Labor	42.40

	\$ 3,181.48
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Overdraft	1,181.48
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	\$ 2,000.00
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Street Lighting

Appropriation	\$ 225.00
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Paid:

Greenville Electric Light Co.	\$ 223.20
Unexpended balance	1.80

	\$ 225.00
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General Expenses of Highway Dept.

Appropriation \$ 1,200.00

Paid:

Laitala's Garage \$ 1,199.24

Unexpended balance .76

\$ 1,200.00

Library

Appropriation \$ 600.00

Paid:

Elizabeth O. Jones, Treasurer \$ 600.00

Public Welfare

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation \$ 200.00

Paid:

State of New Hampshire \$ 369.89

Overdraft 169.89

\$ 200.00

Town Poor

Appropriation \$ 200.00

Paid:

Monadnock Community Hospital \$ 129.00

T. A. Lizotte, Groceries 10.77

\$ 139.77

Unexpended balance 60.23

\$ 200.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Paid:		
Carswell-Hawthorne	\$ 16.50	
George Talcott	50.00	
Carl Valyou	25.00	
Irving Spear	8.00	
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	99.50	
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Unexpended balance	.50	
		\$ 100.00

Parks and Playgrounds

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Paid:		
G. Porter Washburn	\$ 8.00	
Guy F. Washburn	92.85	
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	100.85	
Overdraft	.85	
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		\$ 100.00

Cemeteries

Appropriation		\$ 250.00
John W. Jones Estate, Perpetual care		300.00
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		\$ 550.00
Paid:		
Conway G. Wharff, Treasurer	\$ 550.00	

Regional

Appropriation		\$ 49.00
Paid:		
Monadnock Regional Ass'n	\$ 49.00	

Taxes Bought by Town

Herman O. Schulze, Tax Collector	\$	234.50
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Refunds

Helene Guidone, Tax	\$	290.40
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Dog Damage

Thurston Williams	\$	800.00
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Social Security

Appropriation	\$	100.00
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Paid:

State Treasurer	\$	14.60
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Unexpended balance		85.40
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	\$	100.00
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County Tax

Paid:

Albert Beaudet, Treasurer	\$	2,710.18
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Interest

Appropriation	\$	200.00
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Paid:

Wilton National Bank, T.R.A. note	\$	29.10
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Wilton National Bank, Short Term		59.77
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		88.87
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Unexpended balance		111.13
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	\$	200.00
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Notes

Paid:

Wilton National Bank, T.R.A.	\$	1,293.51
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Wilton National Bank, Short Term	8,000.00	
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		\$ 9,293.51

Schools

Unexpended balance 1957-58		\$11,902.41
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Paid:

Virginia Rafter, Treasurer	\$ 5,200.00	
Mildred H. Wharff, Treasurer	6,702.41	
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		\$11,902.41

Appropriation 1958-59		27,734.04
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Paid:

Mildred H. Wharff, Treasurer	\$10,204.46	
Unexpended balance	17,529.58	
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		\$27,734.04

Bulldozer Account

Received:		\$ 444.00
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Expense:

Wilfred Hamel, Moving	\$ 60.00	
Harold C. Miller, Labor, Gas and Oil	69.60	
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	\$ 129.60	

Accounts Due:

Fred Gilson	\$ 40.00	
Irving Spear	21.00	
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	\$ 61.00	

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

Winter

Miller, Harold C., truck and labor	\$ 883.48
Hall, Winston, truck and plow	804.00
Eaton, Clyde, truck	614.50
Ilomaki, Oliver, truck	227.50
Spear, Irving, labor	31.05
Valyou, Carl, labor	67.85
Moore, Carl, labor	60.95
Spear, Alfred, labor	250.70
Rafter, Arthur, labor	19.55
Brown, Loren, labor	6.90
Witty, Donald, labor	27.60
Beaulieu, Edgar, labor	9.20
Hyatt, John, labor	4.60
Brandt, Aaron, tractor	45.50
Akerman, Raymond, labor	11.50
Gilson, Fred, labor	4.60
Tarbell, Charles, labor	52.90
Crathern, Charles, labor	20.70
Newell, Frank, labor	42.40
Robichaud, R. L., 26 yds. @ \$1.00	26.00
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\$ 3,181.48	

Summer Roads

Miller, Harold, truck, grader & labor	\$ 2,536.40
Spear, Alfred, labor	348.45
Robichaud, R. L., gravel	492.40
Washburn, G. Porter, labor	600.30
Ilomaki, Oliver, labor	9.20
Hamel, Wilfred, truck	102.00
P. G. Keating Co., patch	75.08
R. C. Hazelton, pipe	168.00
Elliott, Edward, shovel	405.00

Eaton, Clyde, truck	211.50	
Bullard, Earl, truck	140.00	
Kivimaki, Toivo	6.00	
Helstein, Eino, tractor	136.00	
Hyatt, John, labor	36.80	
New England Asphalt and Tar Co.	1,149.13	
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Total		\$ 6,416.26
Credit		415.98
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		\$ 6,000.28

Credit

Oulton, Mary	\$ 353.70	
Wharff, Conray	39.30	
Discount on tar	22.98	
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		\$ 415.98

REPORT OF TOWN TRUSTEES

By C. G. Wharff, Treasurer

Boynton Common School Fund

Received:

Mason Village Savings Bank, int.	\$ 80.54	
Keene Savings Bank, int.	66.72	
Dartmouth Savings Bank, int.	30.00	
Mason Village Savings Bank, int.	80.54	
Keene Savings Bank, int.	66.72	
Dartmouth Savings Bank	30.00	
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		\$ 354.52

Payments:

V. M. Rafter, Temp. Treasurer	\$	80.54	
Mildred Wharff, Treasurer		66.72	
Mildred Wharff, Treasurer		30.00	
Mildred Wharff, Treasurer		80.54	
Mildred Wharff, Treasurer		66.72	
Mildred Wharff, Treasurer		30.00	
			\$ 354.52

Investments:

Dartmouth Savings Bank	\$	2,000.00	
Keene Savings Bank		4,106.84	
Mason Village Savings Bank		4,956.23	
			\$11,063.07

Stearns Common Street School Bequest

Receipts:

Mason Village Savings Bank, int.	\$	88.88	
U. S. Bond, int.		62.50	
Mason Village Savings Bank, int.		88.88	
U.S. Bond Int.		62.50	
			\$ 302.76

Payments:

V. M. Rafter, temp. treasurer	\$	88.88	
Mildred Wharff, school treas.		62.50	
Mildred Wharff, school treas.		88.88	
Mildred Wharff, school. treas.		62.50	
			\$ 302.76

Investments:

Mason Village Savings Bank	\$	5,469.36	
U. S. Bond		5,000.00	
			\$ 10,469.39

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

C. G. Wharff, Treasurer

January 1, 1958 to Dec. 31, 1958

Payments:

Earl Robinson	\$	20.00
John Hyatt		20.00
William Murto		16.00
Charlie Tarbell		31.05
Frank Newell		31.05
New Ipswich Lumber Co., 2 rakes		5.30
Frank Newell		8.05
Cash for loam		2.00
Saunders, welding fence		3.50
R. Akerman		7.00
Frank Newell		4.03
Frank Newell		14.95
Earl Robinson		4.00
Frank Newell		13.80
H. Miller, loam		10.00
Frank Newell		12.65
R. Akerman, trucking		6.00
C. G. Wharff, paint		.95
C. G. Wharff, care of cemeteries 1958		86.15
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	\$	296.48
Balance on hand		35.62
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	\$	332.10

Town Appropriation 1958

Receipts:

Balance on hand	\$	7.10
Mrs. Forest Cameron, Lot. No. 112 in Prospect Hill Cemetery		25.00
Selectmen		118.10

Ovia Murto, Lot No. 114	25.00	
Elsie A. Resor, Lot No. 115	25.00	
Selectmen	131.90	
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	\$	332.10

Perpetual Care

Receipts:

Balance on hand	\$	23.24	
Mason Village Savings Bank, int.			
from Town trustees		198.43	
Town of Mason, Jones fund		300.00	
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	\$		521.67

Payments:

Frank Newell	\$	4.60	
Robichaud, loam		6.00	
Frank Newell		1.72	
Acme Store, Bovine		22.32	
Frank Newell		2.30	
C. G. Wharff, care of lots 1958		144.85	
Town Trustees, Jones fund		300.00	
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	\$		481.79
Balance on hand			39.88
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	\$		521.67

Cemetery Fund

Received:

Mason Village Savings Bank Int.	\$	198.43	
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	\$		198.43

Payments:

C. G. Wharff, treasurer

Cemetery Trustees \$ 198.43

\$ 198.43

Investments:

Mason Village Savings Bank \$ 6,064.33

John Jones Fund, received from

Cemetery Trustees, deposited

Mason Village Savings Bank 300.00

Total invested \$ 6,364.33

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITORS

This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of the Town Officers of Mason and find them correct in all respects.

Jan. 31, 1959

LELAND WILDES,
TOIVO KIVIMAKI
Auditors

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Receipts:

Cash on hand, January 1959 259.92

Town appropriation 400.00

Gift 10.00

Overdue book fines 8.00

Town appropriation for new heater	200.00
Sale of old heater	7.50

Total receipts	\$	885.42
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Expenditures:

Fuel, cleaning and care of heater	\$	74.37
Books		199.19
Supplies and equipment		50.26
Magazine subscription		3.50
Telephone and postage		8.00
Gasoline		1.50
Janitor service		4.00
Dues (to N. H. Library Trustees Assn.)		1.00
Trustees' trip to annual meeting at Laconia		7.52
Gift to Library Aide		5.00
Paint		3.00
Installation of new heater		275.00

Total expenditures	\$	632.34
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Balance	\$253.08
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Estimate of expenditures,

Jan. - July, 1959:

Fuel	\$	75.00
Books and magazine subscriptions		100.00
Supplies and equipment		55.00
Janitor		4.00
Postage and telephone		5.00
Dues (to N. H. Library Trustees Assn.)		1.00
Dues (to N. H. Library Assn.)		2.00
Gasoline		1.50

Trustees' trip to annual meeting	7.00	
Total estimated expenditures	\$	250.00
Estimated cash on hand, July 1, 1959	\$	2.58

REPORT ON LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

Adult books charged out	625
Children's books charged out	2500
Magazines charged out	48
Total circulation	3173
Books borrowed from Bookmobile	1830
Books borrowed from Concord	100
Books purchased with town funds	88
Books purchased in conjunction with State Aid	20
Books given to Library	75
Total books acquired	183
Books discarded	100
State and regional meetings attended	10

The trustees of the Library wish to express their appreciation of the fine new gas heater installed by Mr. Murto. The cost was \$75.00 in excess of the amount appropriated to us for this purpose, but we have taken care of this from our regular funds with the hope that in the long run the arrangement is going to prove less expensive than the old oil heater.

We are, as usual, most grateful to many generous and thoughtful friends for gifts of all sorts which have come to us.

We have had a full and busy year. During the summer there was an appreciable increase in adult interest and circulation. During the school months we have been more fully called upon to supply not only supplementary but fundamental reading matter for school projects and assignments. The reading-stimulation directly resulting from the use of TV in the school has been startlingly apparent and challenging to us.

The Bookmobile and the cooperation of the New Hampshire State Library help enormously in our work, as well as the interchange of books and materials with other libraries which has resulted from our participation in the Shieling Fund Grant and from the State Library's program of regular regional library discussions. We were granted State Aid in the purchasing of reference material for young people which has been put to tremendous use this year.

We have much to be thankful for, and chiefly for the spirited enthusiasm which pours in upon us between the hours of two and four each Friday afternoon of the school year. The number of human beings which can be contained in a given amount of space, however, as well as the number of books requested, the variety of questions asked, the scope of information sought, and the extent of the services demanded, have caused us to feel, at times, like a small grocery store trying to meet the requirements of a supermarket, and have strongly indicated the approach of a necessity for further expansion.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH O. JONES,

ELSIE A. RESOR,

ESTHER SPALDING,

Trustees

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

April 28, 1958 — December 31, 1958

At this time I would like to take the opportunity to express thanks and appreciation to the neighboring towns and their Fire Departments whom we depend on in times of emergency.

In time to come I hope we will be able to assist them as well as our own Town.

Now available to the people of the Town are two mobile radio units equipped with CO₂ extinguishers for gas, oil and other types of fires. One unit is located in the automobile of the Fire Chief and the other unit in the automobile of the Chief of Police.

Chimney fires	3
Automobile	1
Oil burner permits issued	8

Respectfully submitted,

FRED GILSON,

Fire Chief

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

You Can Help Prevent Forest Fires

Twenty-five per cent of all forest fires in New Hampshire are caused from careless debris burning—brush, paper, leaves, etc. Most of them are started without the required permit from the local forest fire warden. The cost of extin-

guishing these fires annually runs into large sums of money.

According to law, responsible parties must pay the cost of putting them out. In addition, violators may be subject to court prosecution with fines running as high as (\$200) two hundred dollars.

In the interest of fire prevention why not eliminate burning at home? Use your town dump. It has been set up for your personal convenience. It provides a suitable place for the disposal of dangerous inflammable waste material and other useless items which accumulate around the home and local stores—brush, etc. cut on your property. Eliminate the hazard of burning yourself. It will be easier for you—personally and financially.

If, however, you do burn on your premises:

1. Secure a permit from your local forest fire warden—the law requires it.
2. Be sure to properly supervise your burning. Don't leave it.
3. Make certain your fire is DEAD OUT before leaving it.

Save yourself much possible difficulty. Use your town dump.

Number of local fires	0
Number of acres burned	0
Number of permits issued	39

WINTHROP HANNAFORD,
District Fire Chief

JAMES BELL,
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Motor vehicle accidents	4
Dogs hit by vehicles	4
Stolen article reports	2
Vandalism	1
Break and enter	2
Reports of missing persons	3
Court cases	3

Whereas the number of automobile accidents have increased at the intersection of routes 124 and 31, the Police Department urgently requests that the State of New Hampshire install and maintain a flashing light.

Due to said accidents the Police Department feels that more time spent at this locality is an absolute necessity.

In the event that persons shall be caused to leave their homes for vacations or other indefinite periods of time, the Department, upon notification of same, shall inspect the premises periodically.

Respectively submitted,

ALBERT L. DUNHAM, JR.

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Your Planning Board, after due consideration, offers
for your approval the following:—

Proposed Planning Ordinance for the Town of Mason, New Hampshire

An ordinance to promote the health, safety, morals, convenience and general welfare of the community by guiding the use of buildings and premises in the Town of Mason.

ARTICLE I

Preamble

In pursuance of authority conferred by Chapter 31, Sections 60-89, and Chapter 26, Sections 11, 26, 31, of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated 1955, for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals, prosperity, convenience or general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development of the incorporated Town of Mason, New Hampshire, by securing from fire, panic and other dangers, providing adequate areas between buildings and various rights of way, by preserving the rural charm now attached to our town, the promotion of good civic design and arrangements, wise and efficient expenditure of public funds and the adequate provision of public utilities and other public requirements and by other means, now therefore, this ordinance is hereby enacted by the voters of the Town of Mason, New Hampshire in official meeting convened.

General Provisions

1. No junk yard or place for the storage of discarded

machinery, vehicles, or other scrap materials shall be maintained in any District, except that after public hearing in which evidence on both sides is heard, the Board of Adjustment shall have authority to decide whether the permit shall be issued or not.

2. No owner or occupant of land shall permit fires or other ruins to be left, but shall remove the same within two years.

3. Any uses that may be obnoxious or injurious by reason of the production or emission of odor, dust, smoke, refuse matter, fumes, noise, vibrations, or similar conditions, or that are dangerous to the comfort, peace, enjoyment, health or safety of the community or lending to its disturbance or annoyance are prohibited.

4. Any billboard or advertising structure, other than advertising products of the resident of the premises, shall meet the approval of the Board of Adjustment before its erection.

5. No building shall be located within ten feet of the side property lines or right of way.

6. If any proposed use is such to attract vehicles, ample space shall be provided on the property to accommodate all such vehicles attracted by the business.

7. **Right of Way** means and includes all state, town and federal highways and the land on either side of same as covered by statutes to determine the width of rights of way.

8. **Frontage.** All future lots shall have a frontage of at least 175 feet.

9. **Minimum Land Area.** No lot shall be less than 35,000 square feet.

10. **Permanent residents.** A family shall be considered permanent residents when they have used any building

continuously as a residence for a period of six months or more.

11. No single building shall house more than two families as permanent residents.

12. Residences may be used to house such uses by the owner or tenant as offices for doctor, engineer, architect, lawyer, real estate and insurance, or other recognized professions, and such home occupations as hairdressing, dress-making, manufacture of craft products, and manufacture of food products.

13. Property owners of enterprises shall be allowed two advertising signs for produce sold on the premises, such signs not to total over fifteen square feet in area; also one or more signs pertaining to the lease, sale or use of a lot or building on which placed.

14. Mobile homes, or trailers, or camp cars shall be situated on property in such manner as to meet such requirements of these by-laws and/or the building code as may be applicable.

15. Any road built on private property shall meet construction standards of the state T.R.A. requirements before being acceptable to the town.

ARTICLE II

Nonconforming Uses

A. Any Nonconforming use other than uses specified in B and C below may continue in their present use except that any nonconforming use of building may not be:

1. Changed to another nonconforming use.
2. Re-established after discontinuance for one year.
3. Extended.
4. Rebuilt after damage exceeding 50% of its value.

B. No junk yard may continue as a nonconforming use without special permit from Board of Adjustment, for more than one year after the effective date of this Ordinance, except that a junk yard may continue as a nonconforming use if within that period it is completely enclosed within a continuous solid wall or fence of such height, not less than eight feet high in any case, as to screen completely the operations of the junk yard. Plans of building or fence shall be approved by the Board of Adjustment before it is erected.

C. No billboards or outdoor advertising structures may continue as a nonconforming use for more than two years after the effective date of this Ordinance unless it is designed to direct attention to a business or profession conducted on the premises.

ARTICLE III

Enforcement

It shall be the duty of the Planning Board, and the Board is hereby given power and authority to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.

ARTICLE IV

Board of Adjustment

Within thirty days after the adoption of this Ordinance and thereafter as terms expire or vacancies occur, the Board of Selectmen shall make appointments to a Board of Adjustment of five members conforming in duties to the provisions of Chapter 31, Sections 66-89 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated 1955. Thereafter as terms expire or vacancies occur, the appointing authority shall be responsible for filling vacancies and maintaining full membership on the Board of Adjustment. The Board of Adjustment shall conform in membership and term of

office to the provisions of Chapter 31, Sections 66-89 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated 1955. In addition to the general powers granted said Board by said Chapter 31, it may, in harmony with and subject to its provisions:

A. Permit a nonconforming temporary use for an initial period of not more than two years. Permits may be renewed by the Board of Adjustments for successive periods of not more than one year each.

B. Wave the Residential frontage requirements where there are unusual conditions of street curvature. In such cases, however, the average width of the lot shall be equal to/or greater than the frontage requirements.

C. Permit trailer camps or mobile home subdivisions provided that no trailer or mobile home shall be located on a lot smaller than 2,000 square feet in area and follow the regulations adopted by the town and as outlined in the regulations of the State Board of Health.

ARTICLE V

Amendments

This Ordinance may be amended by a majority vote of any legal town meeting when such amendments are published in the warrant calling for the meeting and when such amendment has received a public hearing, which hearing has been advertised and given legal fifteen day notice.

ARTICLE VI

Penalty

Every person, persons, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than ten dollars upon conviction for each day such violation exists.

ARTICLE VII

Saving Clause

The invalidity of any provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

ARTICLE VIII

When Effective

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Respectively submitted,

CHARLES H. BABB

ADOLPH R. RAJALA

TALBOT R. HOOD

TRACY A. EATON

Planning Board

ACTION TAKEN AT TOWN MEETING MARCH 11, 1958

Town Meeting and polls were opened by the moderator at 1:00 P. M. Warrant read. Motion made and passed to postpone action on all articles until 8:00 P. M.

Polls closed by moderator at 7:30 P. M. Ballots counted. Moderator called meeting to order at 8:15 P. M. and read results of the voting.

Selectman, three years, Paul G. Robbins

Tax Collector, Herman O. Schulze

Town Clerk, Charles F. H. Crathern

Treasurer, Charles F. H. Crathern

Highway Agent, Harold C. Miller

Article 1. Clerk was authorized to cast one vote for each of the following:

Auditors, Toivo Kivimaki and Leland Wildes

Library Trustee, three years, Elizabeth O. Jones

Trustee of Trust Funds, three years, Conray G. Wharff

Trustee of Cemeteries, three years, Alfred M. Spear

Article 2. \$16,638.67, including County Tax of \$2,-751.22, authorized for Town Budget. Selectmen's salary was set at \$250.00 — Chairman \$300.00 — per year, Town Meeting to Town Meeting. Other officers' salaries to remain unchanged. Discussion on Town Hall and other buildings — \$500.00 pointed out that this covered only ordinary maintenance — not repairing. No further action taken. The Selectmen were authorized to enter into agreement with Greenville for the town's use of their dump facilities and the appropriation was increased \$100.00. The "summer roads" appropriation was increased \$1000.00 making it \$4,000.00 as in the past years. The Highway Agent claimed it was necessary for general maintenance and upkeep. General Highway Expense item included essential and necessary overhaul and repair of tractor. The Library appropriation was increased to \$600.00 to cover costs of permanent heat installation.

A recess was declared by the moderator. Ten minute coffee break.

Article 3. Passed in the affirmative.

Article 4. Voted 2% 30-day discount on tax bills.

Article 5. Passed in the affirmative.

Article 6. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 7. Tax collector allowed 8 per cent on Head Tax collections.

Article 8. Covered under Article 2; passed over.

Article 9. Passed in the affirmative.

Article 10. Reports accepted as printed.

Article 11. Voted in the affirmative under State ruling that will allow reopening at some later date.

Moved and passed to adjourn at 10:35 P. M.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

BIENNIAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 4, 1958

Moderator Kivimaki opened meeting at 1 P. M. Warrant read and polls declared open. Voting followed until 7:30 P. M. when polls were declared closed, ballots were counted and results both State and Town were announced.

Town officers elected were:

Supervisors of Check List

Vivian M. Ilomaki

Harold C. Miller

Guy F. Washburn

Moderator:

Toivo Kivimaki

County Convention Delegate:

Tracy A. Eaton

Shall State liquor stores be operated in Mason? No

Shall malt beverages be sold in Mason? No

Meeting adjourned 9:30 P. M.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Hillsborough, ss.

Town of Mason

Parking Regulations

By order of the Board of Selectmen of the town of Mason, in accordance with chapter 105, sections 6-7-8, revised Statutes Annotated, of 1955, standard no parking signs shall be erected and maintained on the road leading from route 123 past the Town House, on the easterly side of said road, to a point 25 feet beyond the Town House. Any violation of the above ordinance shall be punished by a fine not to exceed ten dollars.

Approved February 16, 1959

TRACY A. EATON

PAUL G. ROBBINS

Selectmen of Mason

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

1958

March	8	Diane Frances	Ray V. Loter Judith F. Martin
March	19	Donald Joseph	Ernest L. Hyatt Laura G. DeAvilla
March	20	Kevin Gene	Alfred M. Spear Margaret M. Brundige
May	23	Debra Ann	Oiva W. Murto Helvi L. Lehtonen
Oct.	21	Jeffrey Mark	Asser O. Ilomaki Vivian M. Olsen

Not Included — 1957 Report

1957

June	20	Jon Eric	Asser O. Ilomaki Vivian M. Olsen
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MARRIAGES

Date	Names	Addresses	By Whom
1958			
Feb. 14	Ernest Vernon Marsh—Mason, N.H. Dorothy Arlene MacKeil—Mason, N.H.		Rev. Eugene Watson
April 12	Harold Almon Patten—Hollis, N.H. Dorothy Irene Creighton—Brookline, N.H.		C. F. H. Crathern—J.P.
April 24	Roger Noel Bedard—Rutland, Mass. Irene Sylvia Rogers—Rutland, Mass.		C. F. H. Crathern—J.P.
Nov. 29	Richard Lindsey Boutlier—Milbury, Mass. Ellen Jayne Renaud—Worcester, Mass.		Rev. Wilfred J. LaPoint†

Not Included — 1957 Report

1957			
Oct. 12	James Trexell Sheffer Barbara Crathern Polhemus—Mason, N.H.		Minister Cong'l Church, Sterling, Mass.

DEATHS

		Name	Address	Place of Burial
1958				
April	13	Forest A. Cameron—Mason		Mason, N.H.
May	15	Hilma Murto—Mason		Mason, N.H.
July	5	Hilma M. Wiik—Mason		Mason, N.H.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator: Mr. Tracy Eaton	March 1959
Clerk: Miss Anna Kivimaki	March 1959
Treasurer: Mrs. Mildred Wharff	June 1959
Auditors: Messrs. Leland Wildes and Toivo Kivimaki	March 1959

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Elsa Crathern, Chairman	March 1959
Mr. Harold Forrest, resigned	March 1960
Mr. Robert Anderson, appointed	March 1959
Mrs. Eleanor Hood	March 1961

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Mr. Kenneth A. Sargent, Wilton, N. H.

TEACHING STAFF—1958-59

Mrs. Neta Frost, Principal	Grades 1, 2, 3
Mr. Marcelle St. Hilaire	Grades 4, 5, 6, resigned
Mrs. Helene Greene	Grades 4, 5, 6
Mr. Richard Metivier	Grades 7 and 8
Miss Elsie Wheeler	Music Supervisor

SCHOOL NURSE

Miss Sybil M. Beatham, R. N.

SCHOOL DOCTOR

Robert Wellwood, M. D.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1958-59:

School opens January 5, 1959, Closes February 20

School opens March 2, Closes April 24

School opens May 4, Closes June 12

1959-60:

School opens September 9, 1959, Closes November 25

(Noon)

School opens November 30, Closes December 18

School opens January 4, 1960, Closes February 19	
School opens February 29, Closes April 22	
School opens May 2, Closes June 17	
Holidays: May 30	
Teachers' Convention October 15 and 16	
Total Number of School Days	180
Total Number of School Weeks	37

SCHOOL WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of
Mason qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in
said district on the thirteenth day of March 1959, at eight
o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the
ensuing three years.
- 3a. To choose a Member of the School Board for the
ensuing one year.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School
Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any
other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Commit-
tees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in re-
lation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a deficiency sum of \$956.06 for the purpose of defraying additional costs relating to unanticipated tuition and transportation for the school year 1957-58, necessitating an advance on the 1958-59 appropriation. Such sum to be made available to the School Board prior to June 30, 1959, or take any action relating thereto.

10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$1700, to be used to provide for the salary of a part-time teacher, including retirement and social security, to assist with instruction in the primary room, or take any action relating thereto.

11. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2500.00 to provide for additional transportation, making house to house pick-up available to children, or take any action relating thereto.

12. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to appoint an Advisory School Building Committee of five to study, report on, and make recommendations relating to future school facilities, this Committee to serve continuously until completion of the facilities, and to raise and appropriate \$50.00 to defray expenses during 1959-60, or take any action relating thereto.

13. To see if the district will vote to establish a Cap-

ital Reserve Fund for financing part or all of expanded school building facilities and/or land for same, such Reserve Fund to be created in accordance with RSA Chapter 35 and any amendments relating thereto.

14. If Article 13 has been adopted, to see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate to establish the Capital Reserve Fund, said amount not to exceed \$2500.00, or take any action relating thereto.

15. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$4,649.00 for the tuition of High School children of Mason, attending Appleton Academy, in lieu of the amount currently stated in the School Board's Budget for this purpose, or take any action relating thereto.

16. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to transfer any unexpended balance in the Parsonage Fund, not to exceed \$50.49, to the General Fund of the School District, such monies to be used to reduce the assessment required to meet the school appropriation for 1959-60, or take any action relating thereto.

Given under our hands at said Mason this 24th day of February 1959.

ELSA CRATHERN
ELEANOR HOOD
ROBERT ANDERSON

School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ELSA CRATHERN
ELEANOR HOOD
ROBERT ANDERSON

School Board

TOWN OF MASON

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1959-1960

School Board's estimate of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1959, and comparative analysis of expenditures:

	Expended	Budgeted	Estimated
	1957-58	1958-59	Budget 1959-60
A. ADMINISTRATION			
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 212.00	\$ 217.00	\$ 217.00
2. Superintendent's Salary (local share)	213.55	210.00	263.47
3. Tax for State Wide Supervision	136.00	164.00	190.00
4. Salaries of Other Admn. Personnel	177.00	261.40	278.47
5. Supplies and Expenses	309.85	302.20	344.64
B. INSTRUCTION			
6. Teachers' Salaries	10,400.50	10,820.00	12,345.00
7. Textbooks and Other Instr. Aids	398.82	391.00	390.00
8. Scholars' Supplies	507.94	524.00	534.00
10. Other Instructional Expenses	42.13	33.00	18.00
C. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:			
11. Salary of Custodian	400.00	505.00	600.00

12.	Fuel or Heat	478.16	600.00	500.00
13.	Water, Light and Other Expenses	389.09	250.00	361.00

D. MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:

14.	Repairs and Replacements	164.00	265.00	197.00
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E. AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

15.	Health Supervision	187.95	210.00	220.00
16.	Transportation	4,408.00	5,105.00	4,302.00
17.	Tuition:			
	High School	4,249.36	7,238.00	9,116.00
	Elementary		464.00	720.00
18.	Special Activities	33.92	40.00	40.00
18a.	School Lunch	239.52		

F. FIXED CHARGES:

19.	Teacher Retirement (District Share)	518.09	551.79	621.11
20.	Insurance, Bonds, Taxes and Expenses	291.82	298.43	334.61

TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES	\$23,757.70	\$28,449.82	\$31,592.30
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G. CAPITAL OUTLAY:

21.	Land and New Buildings	3,005.82	80.00	
23.	New Equipment	404.90	20.00	200.00

H. DEBT AND INTEREST:

25. Payments on Principal	600.00	700.00	700.00
26. Payments on Interest	58.03	79.78	62.04
27. IN AND OUT PAYMENTS	57.34		

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUIRED TO MEET SCHOOL

BOARD'S BUDGET	\$27,883.79	\$29,329.60	\$32,554.34
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I. INCOME OF DISTRICT: Actual Act. & Est. Estimated

Balance on Hand

June 30, 1957	\$	1.07	
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State Aid: (Foundation)		Act. 995.54	\$ 1,500.00
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Trust Funds	657.35	Est. 600.00	600.00
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Local Taxation	23,402.41		
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Other Sources:

School Lunch	239.52		
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Notes and Bonds	3,500.00		
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Miscellaneous	55.06		
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In and Out Items	57.34		
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GROSS INCOME FROM ALL

SOURCES	\$27,912.75		
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TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME	\$ 1,595.54	\$ 2,100.00	
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J. TOTAL ESTIMATED ASSESS- MENT REQUIRED TO MEET

SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET	\$27,734.06	\$ 30,454.34	
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TOTAL DEFICIT 1957-58 for Transportation and Tuition \$1,093.10, however other items had balance to make up difference between Deficiency Article #9 (\$956.06) and the above \$1,093.10.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1958

ADMINISTRATION:

1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 212.00
2. Superintendent's Salary (local Share)	213.55
3. Tax for State Wide Supervision	136.00
4. Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel	177.00
5. Supplies and Expenses	309.85

INSTRUCTION:

6. Teachers' Salaries	10,400.50
7. Textbooks and Other Instruc- tional Aids	398.82
8. Scholars' Supplies	507.94
10. Supplies and Other Expenses	42.13

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:

11. Salaries of Custodians	400.00
12. Fuel or Heat	478.16
13. Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	389.09

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:

14. Repairs and Replacements	164.00
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AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES:

15. Health Supervision	187.95
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16. Transportation	4,408.00
17. Tuition	4,249.36
18. Special Activities	33.92
18a. School Lunch	239.52

FIXED CHARGES:

19. Teacher Retirement (District's share)	518.09
20. Insurance, Bonds and Expenses	291.82

TOTAL NET CURRENT EXPENSES	<u>23,757.70</u>
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CAPITAL OUTLAY:

21. Land and New Buildings	3,005.82
23. New Equipment	404.90

DEBT AND INTEREST:

25. Payments on Principal	600.00
26. Payments of Interest	58.03

TOTAL NET PAYMENTS FOR ALL PURPOSES	<u>27,826.45</u>
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CASH ON HAND AT END OF YEAR

JUNE 30, 1958:

Capital Outlay Fund	<u>28.96</u>
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GRAND TOTAL NET PAYMENTS	<u>27,855.41</u>	\$27,855.41
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RECEIPTS

FEDERAL AID:

National School Lunch and Special Milk	\$ 239.52
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LOCAL TAXATION:

Current Appropriation	23,402.41
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OTHER SOURCES:

Trust Funds	657.35
Notes and Bonds	3,500.00
Other	55.06

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES	\$27,854.34
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CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF YEAR, JULY 1, 1957	1.07
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GRAND TOTAL NET RECEIPTS	\$27,855.41 \$27,855.41
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EXPLANATION OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NET EXPENDITURES AND GROSS TRANSACTIONS

Receipts	Payments
Total Net Receipts	Total Net Payments
as above \$27,855.41	as above \$27,855.41
Receipts from Refunds	Payments Refunded
or In and Out Items 57.34	or In and Out Items 57.34
TOTAL GROSS	TOTAL GROSS
INCOME \$27,912.75	PAYMENTS \$27,912.75

Balance Sheet

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash on Hand		Accounts Owed by	
June 30, 1958	\$ 28.96	District :	
		Tuition:	
		Townsend	\$ 736.10
		Crotched	
		Mountain	144.64
		Advanced from	
		Bldg. Fund	75.32
		Notes and Bonds	3,500.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 28.96	TOTAL	
		LIABILITIES	\$ 4,456.06
Net Debt Over			
Assets	4,427.10		
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GRAND TOTAL	\$ 4,456.06		\$ 4,456.06

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

Name of Building or Project for
which Notes or Bonds
were Issued

	School House	Parsonage	Total
Outstanding at Beginning of Year	\$ 600.00		\$ 600.00
Issued During Year		\$ 3,500.00	3,500.00
Total	600.00	3,500.00	4,100.00
Payments of Principal of Debt	600.00		600.00
Notes Outstanding at End of Year	None	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00

REPORT OF MONEY EXPENDED FOR RENO- VATING PARSONAGE FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES AND EQUIPPING SAME

APPROPRIATION (Notes

Authorized to borrow)

\$ 3,500.00

CARPENTRY:

Roger Tuttle, Contract \$ 500.00

Labor and Materials:

Chalk Board	16.00
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Changing Door	8.50
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Hinges 1.10

Passage Sets 2.85

Jones Construction Co.,

Porch	56.50
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 \$ 584.95

HEATING:

Murto Oil Co.

Installing Furnace	\$ 949.00
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Installing Register

In Closet	2.00
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Brick, mortar, labor

chimney 2.00

Labor	6.00
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959.00

PLUMBING:

Wilton Plumbing & Heating.

Contract	\$ 425.00
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Marwood Davidson,

septic tank	125.00
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Robert Mackintosh,

fountain	69.57
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619.57

LIGHTING:

John's Electrical Inc., fixtures	99.32
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DOORS and WINDOWS:

The Color Shop, storm and screen	367.50
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LABOR:

Frank Newell	160.00
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SUPPLIES:

New Ipswich Lumber Co., paint and thinner	\$ 29.80
Sears Roebuck, paint, coat and hat hooks	44.90
Denim, thread, rods	5.43
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INCINERATOR

135.35

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	\$ 494.18

EQUIPMENT:

The Color Shop	\$ 43.16
Paris Mfg. Co., Desk Units, Folding Table	221.89
Mainco Trading Co., Folding Chairs	27.90
Beckley-Cardy Co., Shades	33.77
Step Ladder	12.49
Filing Cabinet	38.82

2 Soap Dispensers	5.40	
2 Mirrors	2.78	
Joslin Hardware, Medicine Cabinet	3.69	
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Inadvertently spent on General Fund deficit accounts		104.28
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Balance on Hand as per Financial Report	*\$	28.96
*Note: Financial Report has taken care of this overpayment by showing a liability of \$75.32, together with the Cash Balance \$28.96, makes total balance on hand June 30, 1958		
	\$	104.28
Paid during 1958-59 Electrical overhaul		53.79
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ACTUAL CASH BALANCE ON HAND	\$	50.49

Respectfully submitted,

ELSA CRATHERN
ELEANOR HOOD
ROBERT ANDERSON
School Board

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

for the

Fiscal Year July 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 1957	\$	1.07
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Received from Selectmen:

Current Appropriation	\$23,402.41
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Received from State Treasurer:

Federal Funds	239.52
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Received as income from Trust Funds	657.35
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Received from Sale of Notes and Bonds	3,500.00
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Received from all Other Sources	112.40
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 27,911.68
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TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR	27,912.75
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LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID	27,883.79
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BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1958	\$ 28.96
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MILDRED H. WHARFF

June 30, 1958

District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Mason, N. H., of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958, and find them correct in all respects.

TOIVO KIVIMAKI

July 7, 1958

Auditor

SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

Serial Notes dated August 1, 1957 \$3500

Date Due	Payable Souhegan National Bank		
	Interest	Principal	Balance
			\$ 2,800.00
Aug. 1, 1959	\$ 35.20	\$ 700.00	\$ 2,100.00
Feb. 1, 1960	26.84		
Aug. 1, 1960	26.40	700.00	1,400.00
Feb. 1, 1961	17.89		
Aug. 1, 1961	17.60	700.00	700.00
Feb. 1, 1962	8.95		
Aug. 1, 1962	8.80	700.00

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR

JUNE 30, 1958

Enrollment

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	14	12	8						34
Intermediate				11	11	8			30
Grammar							7	8	15
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Attending Schools Elsewhere

Appleton Academy	10
Townsend High School	7
Lunenburg High School	1
Greenville Elementary	1
Private School Outside the District	1
Parochial School Outside the District	2

Attendance

School	Ave. Mem.	Ave. Attend.	% of Attend.	Tardiness Total Per Pupil	
Primary	31.4	27.8	79.5	33	1.2
Intermediate	27.2	24.1	88.7	6	.2
Grammar	13.2	11.4	84.4	5	.4
Visits by Superintendent			55		

STATISTICS FOR FIRST TWENTY WEEKS 1958-59

Census: (1 day to 18 yrs. incl.) Boys 84; Girls 71; Total 155

Attending Mason Public Schools 76

Attending Public Schools Outside the District 20

Attending Parochial Schools Outside the District 4

Attending Private Schools Outside the District 2

ENROLLMENT

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	10	12	12						34
Intermediate				10	8	10			28
Grammar							10	7	17
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									79

ATTENDANCE

School	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Primary	33.25	30.31	91.00
Intermediate	27.90	25.93	93.00
Grammar	16.20	15.50	90.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Mason:

I respectfully submit my second annual report as your Superintendent of Schools.

STAFF AND INSTRUCTION

The Mason Public School opened this fall with two changes in staff. Mrs. Neta Frost has been appointed Principal of the School and also teaches in grades one, two and three. Mr. John Sturm, former Principal and teacher in grades four, five and six, left to teach in Seabrook, N. H. and his position was filled by Mr. Marcel St. Hilaire, a graduate of Merrimack College in Andover, Massachusetts with extension work at Lowell State Teachers' College. Mrs. Jean Sturm, the former teacher of grades seven and eight left with her husband and is not now teaching; her position was filled by Mr. Richard Metivier of Dublin, New Hampshire, and a product of Keene Teachers' College. Miss Elsie Wheeler continues as Music Supervisor, Miss Sybil Beat-ham, R. N., as School Nurse and Dr. Robert Wellwood as School Doctor. Mr. Ernest Smith has been appointed as custodian of the buildings.

The opening of school saw an enrollment in the primary room of some thirty-four youngsters which made the teaching situation an extremely difficult one. The School Board considered very carefully the possibility of employing a teacher to assist Mrs. Frost in this room and thereby insure more adequately that proper instruction be provided for all children in this room. Further consideration of the matter finally led to discarding this possibility but with the understanding that if census figures indicated an enrollment of this kind in the coming school year provisions be made for a special article for some kind of teaching assistance. At the present time Mrs. Frost finds it necessary

to spread herself very thinly in reaching youngsters in all these three grades as long as there are 34 children in this room. Feeling that the best interest of the children is not being served by such a teaching situation the School Board has an article within the Warrant, giving the District an opportunity to vote funds to provide for a teacher to assist in the instruction at this very critical level.

Due to personal difficulties which developed during the course of the year Mr. St. Hilaire resigned from his position as teacher of grades four, five and six. He was replaced by Mrs. Helene Greene of Greenville, New Hampshire, a teacher of many years of experience, who assumed responsibility for this room at about the middle of the school year.

Perhaps the most interesting development in the instructional program being provided children of Mason revolves about the area of educational television. The Mason School was the first in Union #63, and certainly one of the first in the State of New Hampshire, to formally join "The Twenty-one Inch Classroom," an educational series of presentations produced by WGBH-TV in Boston. The entrance of this program was brought about first by an interest on the part of the School Board in providing the advantages of educational television for the children of Mason, and secondly by receiving a television set as a gift for the Mason School. The program costs the school district 25c per pupil or a minimum fee of \$25.00 which has been paid. The value of joining in this program of television instruction is that membership provides the teacher with guides for fully utilizing the presentations which are made. The program at this time is presented the first four days of the week, twice each day, with material directed each day toward a different grade level; Monday, fifth and sixth grade science, Tuesday, fourth grade social studies, Wednesday, third grade literature and Thursday, second grade music. Day by day the teachers are becoming more adept at utilizing this material and building units of work around these TV presentations.

In many respects, preparations are made for the television presentations in the same way that preparations are made for an educational film.

Although Mason is one of the first schools in the State to be fully utilizing this medium, it is felt that in the near future many schools will be following along this path and be taking advantage of the expert teachers, the specialized teaching aids, the carefully prepared scientific experiments and demonstrations which would be almost impossible to duplicate or make available to youngsters in a small school.

Through the efforts of Mr. Metivier the boys and girls of the upper four grades are being given the opportunity during the winter months of taking part in a Physical Education program. Arrangements have been made for the use of the Greenville Town Hall for athletic activities. This is the first time in many years that such opportunities have been available to children of Mason, and it seems that this is a step in the right direction.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

The buildings and grounds of the Mason School continue in good condition. However, at this time a problem seems to be rising on the horizon, that of adequate school space in the future for children of the community. There has been a slow but steady growth in the elementary school population, above the projections of the census figures. This means that additional families are moving into Mason, and as a result of this school population is rapidly increasing. For example, in the census taken on December 7, 1955 it was expected that in the school year 1959-60 there would be fifty children in grades one through eight. As of October 1958 the 1959-60 census indicates not fifty, but eighty-three children in grades one through eight. These figures show that in spite of the utilization of the Parsonage as a teaching area, present facilities in the near future are going to

be inadequate to properly house children. The School Board sensing this development is requesting the School District vote to give approval to the appointment of a committee to study the building needs of Mason and also to provide this committee with minimal funds to develop plans either for additions to the present building or for the construction of a separate building to house children of the community. The School Board also, feeling that the financial burden of construction at some time in the future would be very great, is also giving the School District an opportunity to decide whether or not a Capital Reserve Fund should be set up to put aside money to have available for use toward this eventual construction. If this money is put aside, it will mean that at the actual time of construction a much smaller amount would have to be raised by taxation thereby decreasing to a considerable extent the amount of money paid in interest on the bonds or note. In addition to that, the money put aside would earn interest for the School District. The issues involved in the matter of additional space for the housing of school children are worthy of the very careful consideration by each and every citizen of the community.

SPECIAL ARTICLES

There are other articles included in the Warrant to be acted on by the School District. **Article 9** requests funds to be raised to take care of the deficiency which developed in the previous school year due to the excesses of tuition and transportation costs over the amounts which were budgeted for those purposes. These costs were paid during the school year 1957-58 by the advancement of money from the 1958-59 budget. Such money is needed to allow the School District to operate properly within the 1958-59 budget voted at the last School District meeting. **Article 10** relates to the appropriation of additional money to provide for a part-time teacher as has already been discussed previously in this report. **Article 11** refers to a matter of transportation which

has been causing concern to some parents of school children. For the sake of economy, the School Board let contracts for a transportation system which would require youngsters to walk up to three-quarters of a mile to the bus. This revision of the route made it possible to reduce expenditures in this area by a considerable amount. However, a request has been made to provide transportation on a house to house basis. It is estimated by the School Board that \$2500 would be necessary to meet this need since provision for house to house transportation may make it necessary to initiate an additional route to reduce the riding time of children to a reasonable level. In addition, the sum requested is necessary since it must provide for adequate transportation throughout the year and thus provision must be made for youngsters who may move into the area which, at this time cannot possibly be anticipated, but which has been occurring regularly during the past few years. **Article 12** refers to the appointment by the School Board of an Advisory School Building Committee, as previously discussed, with provisions for minimal funds to allow this Committee to perform its function properly and adequately. **Articles 13 and 14** refer to the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual construction of either an addition to the present school facility or the construction or purchase of a separate school building. The important factors involved in thinking relative to this matter have previously been discussed. **Article 15** provides the School District with the opportunity of taking advantage of a flat fee being offered by Appleton Academy for the education of Mason High School children. The proposed School Board budget calls for sixteen youngsters be in attendance at Appleton Academy for the coming school year at a rate of \$388 per pupil or a total of \$6,208.00. The Trustees of Appleton Academy are offering the Town of Mason an opportunity to educate children going to Appleton Academy for \$4,649.00. The only stipulation is that this amount would be

paid no matter what the number of youngsters attending the Academy might be, be that number more or less than the sixteen which the School Board has anticipated. The only way in which the School District could fail to gain financially by the acceptance of this offer would be to have an unusually large number of children discontinue their education at Appleton Academy. If more than four children dropped out of school the district would suffer by this proposed plan. It seems that this offer is one that should be accepted by the School District since over the years the drop-out of children from Mason attending Appleton Academy has been very small and at the most not numbered more than one or two children. It is also understood that if the number of children attending the Academy from Mason should be more than sixteen because of influx of High School pupils, the flat fee figure of \$4,649 would still be in effect. **Article 16** gives the School Board the authority to return to the General Fund of the School District the unexpended balance of the Parsonage Fund. This Article is necessary since funds raised by the School District for the Parsonage Fund cannot be legally spent for any other purpose, and therefore, authority by the School District is legally necessary to return the unexpended balance to the General Fund.

FINANCE

The School Board's Budget for 1959-60 amounts to \$32,554.34, an increase of \$3,224.74 over the previous year's budget. However, due to additional State Aid which is being anticipated because of increased enrollment in the Mason School the assessment for the operation of the school amounts to \$30,454.34, an increase of \$2,720.28 over the school assessment for the current school year.

The increase in the appropriation for the operation of the school lies within but a few areas of the budget. The

first increase is in the area of Teachers' Salaries, amounting to \$1,525. The increase is made necessary in order to pay teachers salaries in keeping with those in southern New Hampshire. This increase would be smaller if it were compared to the actual amount of money which was being expended for salaries for the current year rather than the amount budgeted for this year. During the present school year it was found necessary to spend some \$600 more than was originally budgeted under this item. On this basis, the increase is one of only \$925. A second increase is in Item #13—Lights, and Other Expenses—where an increase of \$111 reflects an adjustment in these costs to a figure which is more in keeping with the amount that has been expended in this area over the past several years. The largest increase is in the area of Tuitions where additional numbers of youngsters attending High School and an increasing tuition rate have resulted in an increase in this item of \$2,134. A saving of \$1,559 can be realized in this area if the flat fee offer of Appleton Academy is accepted by the School District. Acceptance of the flat fee arrangement with Appleton Academy would show an increase in this item of only \$574. The final increase of \$184 is evident in item # 23—New Equipment since it has been found necessary to obtain a new duplicator to replace the one presently in operation due to its age and its failure to operate properly at all times. The areas of reduced spending in the 1959-60 budget have helped to keep the overall budget increase at a lower level. The first of these decreases is in the area of Fuel where a reduction of \$100 is being made in order to keep this figure in line with what has been spent for fuel on the average in the operation of the Mason School. In the area of Transportation, Item #16, a decrease of \$803 is being anticipated by limiting the costs to those which the Board is currently bound to by contract.

CONCLUSION

The School Board, I believe, deserves special credit for the very careful interest and attention given to the proper operation of the school. The Town should take pride in having a Board that actively exhibits its sincere interest in events and activities taking place within the School.

I wish to thank the Mason School Board and the staff for their helpfulness and cooperation in continuing a high quality of education for Mason children.

KENNETH A. SARGENT,

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Number of Visits Made to School by Nurse: 19.

Number of Defects found by Dr. Wellwood on his annual examination of Pupils:

Enlarged tonsils	3
Defective teeth	1
Wax in ears	1
Swollen cervical glands	5

Home visits made: 4

Special activities conducted by Nurse:

1. Weighed and measured all children.
2. Arranged for Dental Clinic to be held in school by Dr. Roy. Sent Permit Notices home, etc.
3. Arranged for and assisted in giving the Patch Tests for Tuberculosis in October. Mrs. Irene Birschall, the N. H.

Tuberculosis Association Nurse, applied the patches and I assisted in the follow-up.

4. I assisted Dr. Wellwood when he gave the annual physical examinations to the children. Sent reports to the parents of the children who had defects.

5. I spoke to the Mason School Club about the new regulations to be put into effect in 1958 in regard to the dental clinic.

6. Attended the American Nurses Convention in Atlantic City in June as a delegate to the N. H. S. N. A. and School Nurses Section. This was a week of meetings most of which were lectures in school nursing problems.

7. Vision screening was done in the seventh and eighth grade by means of the Telebinocular.

Communicable Diseases during 1957-58:

Measles during February

Asiatic Flu during October and November

Two cases of Rheumatic Fever

Pediculosis was a very grave problem throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

SYBIL M. BEATHAM, R. N.

School Nurse

REPORT ON FIRE PREVENTION AT SCHOOL

Following the disastrous school fire in Chicago, the State of New Hampshire has been making a particularly careful inspection of schools in order to insure full compliance with proper safety measures. A recent inspection

of our two school buildings by the State Fire Marshal and our local Fire Chief resulted in instructions to make exit doors open outward. This will be attended to. Aside from this stipulation there were a few minor recommendations—not actual requirements—such as the advisability of installing an alarm system that would react to excessive heat in the cellar, fireproof sheeting above the furnace, relocation of one of the fire extinguishers, and relocation of some school supplies. The School Board will comply with all of these recommendations. A monthly inspection and report will be made by the custodian and a member of the faculty, and a quarterly inspection and report by the Fire Chief, to insure proper continuance of safety measures. Monthly fire drills are held, and the average time of exit is 40 to 60 seconds.

Respectfully submitted,

ELSA CRATHERN
ELEANOR HOOD
ROBERT ANDERSON

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